JOHN E. SIMMONS'S TRIAL THE CASE PROBABLY 10 GO TO THE JURY IHIS EVENING.

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en as witnesses to the peaceable character a drew a more numerous audience ver and Terminer yesterday. The pristhat he had good re son still to lean on them was explained by Prof. James R. Wood. The closed at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and ple's witte es w. loccupy about an heu will begin. The jusm n seem to be of the case, and will probably sit it out

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Ashman had carried on business the years at 13 and 15 Fulton Mar-w Durve; in Sutherland's eating enty silveet on the Saturday before

can theerty street on the Saturday before the paying for my lunch. Durvea came in and increase is allowed by the finally he asked me if I had seen any of the bortoters, and if I knew they had dissolved.

"The —— has robord me, and I'll cut the gus him." He went on in that we for affect minimum to the had better not come in the discount again. I extured myself and went out read Summons that he had better not come for his sa dithat he intend at to keep away from Dural and coss his p. to. I went that, an again, and a repeated his threats about cutting slimmons. Durvea left, Samuone entered and asked if that as gone. We took a drink together, and I told ms he had better keep out of Duryea's way. Saw as gone with Moniay morning, and he again relawed in the more considerable of the control of the say. I again told him to look out for that of the first blow at him.

Smith. residing at 542 Myrtle avenue, th. residing at 552 Myrtle avenue, is a pilot on the Fulton ferry line, seen sailing mester of Durvea's yacht als during twelve or fitteen years, tways carried a weapon, and if he didn't was mistake.

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is in the Stokes case had settled v I examined that case myself condition on it. I have been con-court of Appeals, but not con-decided that threats not commu-admissible, and I bow to the de-

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Violent when affected by liquor.

To. Mr. Phelps-Knew Duryes three or four years.

Am a farmer and street commissioner of Bayonne.

Jesse smith, who has charge of the billiard parlor at the Astor House, said of Duryea: His reputation was had, but temper and mussy, putting up jots. We've scuffled together years ago, but I was nother man, he was a young man. Have not seen back of him for five or six years.

To Mr. Phelps-Of late I have seen him four or five times a year. He w a more slender than I am, and may have weighed one hundred and sixty or seventy pounds. William T. Ashman, recalled, said that Duryea was a man that always took care of himself. It was a very wiry man in his general character. It was a very powerful man.

A BAD CHARACTER. George E. Perrin had known Nicholas W. Dur-

ter was considered as bad so that of any man in Procklyn. Had heard Durves brag that he didn't think anybody could get away with him t at looked like him. Mark Maguire, a reporter of sporting news, had been acquainted with Duryea for twenty or thirty years.

thirty years.

I' he had anything against you, he would go anywheres to get even with you ween in drink. He was a very smart, very scientific man. Take a very good man to get aw y with him in my -prince.

To Mr. Phelp--saw him offer to fight a very good man, l'at Matthews.

Q.—Was he a slender man? A.—That was in his favor. Mr. Phelps asked the witness to answer the

Mr. Phelps asked the witness to answer the question, and not give opinions unasked for.

Witness-I am doing the best I can.

Mr. Phelps—I have no doubt you are.
Col. Fellows objected to the Dis rict Attorney sneering at witnesses, and asked the Court to interfere.

Junge Brady said that the District Attorney hid not sneered, but that witnesses for the defince had y dunteered statements that were entirely uncalled for.
Col. Fellows—I am merely offering a suggestion as to the duty of the Court.

Judge Brady—The Court understands its duty and needs no suggestion.

SIMMONS'S THROAT.

Dr. Amabile testified that when Simmons was

in five or six weeks, but the ligament takes a longer time; but the ankle would continue to be weak and stiff.

PROF. JAMES R. WOOD
had had Simmons under his care at the Park Hospital four or five days after the Injury. The inflammation of the throat was apparent, but the external marks of which Dr. Amabile had testified had disappeared. Simmons hid not yet recovered. It was one of the worst cases of fracture of the ankle that he had ever known. It is a common agage that a sprained ankle is worse than a broken bone.

P. W. Ostrander, lawyer and President of the Brooklyn Yacht Club, remembered when the club took an excursion to Glen Cove. Duryea had a yacht, and was a member of the club. Duryea's general reputation was that of a violent in an when under the influence of liquor.

Col. Fellows offered to show that in consequence of acts of violence by Duryea at Glen Cove the club immediately convened on one of the vacuts and expelled Duryea. Excluded.

Luther Smith, Super intendent of the Union Ferry Company, had seen Duryea with a weapon. The defence offered to prove by hils witness that on one occasion Duryea drew a revoiver and fled it treeklessly around a room.

P. lice Captain Speight, who joined the force this ty-nine years ago, and had been a captain twenty-two years, had heard Duryea's character dis ussed. It was that of a desperate man.

Col. Fellows offered to prove Simmons's character for beace and general good-mail re.

Judge Brady thought that the projec quession should be: "What is the general character of the prisoner as a peaceable man?"

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Col. Fellows offered to show that the witness

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B. njamin Wood, editor of the Daily News;
Henry F. Quackenbosh, physician; Daniel Petty,
iron merch nt; Joe Elliot, of the Herrid; Chester Lamb, livery stable keeper; and George B.
Alley, broker, had known Simmons as a gentlemanly, quiet, peaceable man.

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A.—You re the owner? A.—I have known

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p. cable man? A.—He was quiet, peacable, inoffen ive;

it fact we were all surprised when we heard that he had

taken nort in such an affray as this.

Q.—Du you know Duryes? A.—No. I have heard

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By Mr. Phelps—Q.—You never had any trouble with Duryea? A.—No.
Q—Nor with anybody else? A. (smiling)—No.
Ex.Register McCool and Sidney Nichols, pro-prietor of the Twenty-third street stage line, h d known Simmons as a quiet, well-behaved, orderly citizen.

J. W. Bell, tailor, made clothes for Duryea.

Coi. Fell ws said that the question was asked on the Stokes trial, and allowed District Attorney Phelps said that in the Stokes case the particular article of clothing worn at the time of the homicide was proven to have been made in the witness's establishment. Judge Brady admitted the testimony, and Mr. Bell said that Duryea's pants had a pistol pocket. Folice Justice Bixby had known Simmons for some years, and had always regarded him as a peaceable, quiet man.

Mr. Phelps produce of the dirk, knife with which You never knew him to carry anything of this sort, did you? A .- Never knew that he carried weapons. William H. Gray, carriage maker, had known Simmons about twelve years, and his reputation was that of a good, kind, and generous-hearted

was that to a good, which are generous learned with the Community of the C

Why the White Fawn was not Presented in Brooklyn Last Night.

Much excitement was occasioned in Brooklyn last evening by the forced closing of A. R. Samuells's New Park Theatre. A throng had been attracted by the announcement of a grand spectacular pantomime, with a local exgrand spectacular pantomime, with a local extravaganza, but the expectant visitors were confronted with closed doors. Their astonishment was increased as the hour grew later. No one seemed to understand the cause of the trouble until a young man pushed with difficulty trough the throng and affixed a placard to the door inscribed:

This theatre is closed for this evening only, on account of the interference of Judge Mctue.

This added nothing to the information of the assemblage, although an evening newspaper had

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Amending the Brooklyn Charter.

The Brooklyn Committee of One Hundred last night continued the consideration of the amending the state of the second to the ments to the Brookijn charter which they are soon to submit to the Legislature. Those decided on are in relation to the commissions. The amendments provide that the Department of Fire and Buildings, of Police and Excise. Departments of City Works and of Police and Excise. Departments of City Works and of Police and Excise. Departments of City Works and of Parks, shall each be distinction is made on account of the Board of Health and distinction is made on account of the nature of its work. These Commissioners, two of whom must be physicians, are provided for, and the Mayor and head of the Police Department are also ex-officio members.

Wrecked on Sinepuxent Beach.

Salisbury, Md., Feb. 18.—The brig Redwood Lefevre, from Cardenas for Philadelphia, with scarge of 580 hogsheads of molasses, went ashore on the outer bar of Sinepuxent beach early on Sunday morains. The vessel and carge belonged to G. W. Bernados & Bro. of Poliadelphia, and are a total lose, but the crew were saved by the Wrecking surf boost.

WOMEN'S WAR ON WHISKEY

THE BEGINNING OF THE CRUSADE ON LONG ISLAND.

The Woman Preparing for a Vicerous Raid on the Rum Sellers-A Praying Band Or-ganiz d in Newtown.

The temperance folks on Long Island are organizing praying bands and societies. A short time ago the ladies of the Blue Point Division. Sons and Daughters of Temperance, petitioned the directors of the South Side Railroad to allow no more spirituous ilquors to pass over their road as freight, but were unsuccessful. The women, not discouraged by this fail-

to do to allow no more spirituous injugars to passon the form of the four spirituous injugars to passon the form of the four spirituous injugars to passon the form of the four spirituous injugars to passon to the road.

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A Allyc operations are to be begin to-day.

A Prying band, composed of ladies and gentlemen, is a best organized in Newtown, and a series of temperance prayer meetings will be the war on the liquor traffic was a meeting to the meeting the continuous proposite the roads. It was not being ladies. A number of members of the continuous proposite the roads. It was not being ladies. A number of members of the first movement in the war on the liquor traffic was a meeting of the proposition of the pro General Assembly occupied seats on the platform. The meeting was called to order by the Rev. Wilham Chadwick. After a prayer by the Rev. Wilham Chadwick. After a prayer by the Rev. W. E. Moore the audience joined in singing the "Coronation" with grand effect. Die Lewis was chosen Chairman, and at his request the audience s.m. "Nearer, my God, to Thee."

For Lewis said the words of this hynn was the keynote of this crusade. The churches, in negaciting to furnish tright and happy places for young men to spend their evenius in and so keep them out of places of dissipation and crime, were responsible for many blighted lives. Much of his address was given to strictures on ladies who drank wine, and induced young men to drink it. He said all real drunkards the helped the temperance cause, because they showed new beginners what surong drink would do for a man. To accomplish the abolition of this inquor traffic, woman must come to the front, for in this, as in all other great monal contists, women were more effective workers than men.

The Rev. A. C. Hurst of Washington Court House gave a detailed account of the temperance work in his town claiming that all that has been accomplished was due to earnest and persistent trayer.

Senator Goodhire of Summit said he should be doing violence to his better nature should he refuse to add his voice to this great movement. He regarded this work as more mighty in its force than any avalance launched from the top of Mount Bianc.

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Dio Lewis again took the stand and said that when he started to this city he thought he would advise against any active movement for a couple of weeks, until people could be better prepared by reading of the work at other points; but learning that against any active movement.

Prayers of no Leffect on the Saloon Krepers

women's crusade against the whiskey traffic opened to-day with renewed efforts. At 9 o'clock this morning creat number of the control of the DEFFERSONVILLE, INC., FCD. 10. The Mannattanville soup house, in 139th street, near Broadway. Is open from 9 to 10 A. M., and 4 to 5 P. M. Assistance in the work is solicited, a king for netton to be deterred on all blis after Mrs. D. L. Baker, Mrs. S. A. Rodenstein. At every saloon they were received kindly and were protected by the police from the jam of the immense crowd that congregated at each the mannattanville soup house, in 139th street, near Broadway. Is open from 9 to 10 A. M., and 4 to 5 P. M. Assistance in the work is solicited, a king for netton to be deterred on all blis after in the what was read in the Assembly, a king for netton to be deterred on all blis after in the what was and piers of that city until they can be heard from. At the request of Wm. Evaris the Judiciary Committee of the Assembly will give him a hearing on the bill owdressers of copporations to classify one week from to-morrow. The bill applies only to boards of directors hereafter to be elected.

RIPLEY, Ohio, Feb. 16.—The crusaders are still moving on the enemy's works. One more maining is a wholesale liquor store, which has maining is a wholesale figuor store, which has been retailing by the drink. The owner proposes to stop retailing, but the people are not satisfied. The ladies watch now as well as pray. Some of the sale in keepers who have been worsted are preparing to emigrate.

Grant Rewarding Geo. Butler's Allies—The

New Collector for Boston, Washington, Feb. 16.-Mr. Russell, who has been Collector of the Port of Boston for the last eight years, has been removed because it is alleged he is so intemperate that he was unfitted for the duties of this responsible office. His successor, William A. Simmons, was to-day nominated by the President. Mr. Simmons has for some time been Supervisor of Internal Revenue, and is widely known as the friend and political ally of

chusetts, and Mississippi. No persons who have been known as "professional" politicians, or who gain a living by American politics, can be admitted. Every section must be composed of at least three fourths wage liborers, and no one can be accepted as a member against whom five votes are recorded. Before being accepted as a member every candidate must take the following piedge: "L.—., do hereby most solemnly piedge myself to support, maintain, and projugate the principles of the Association of the United Workers of America, as set forward in the preamblet of the general rules, to conform with all its regulations, and to fulfilling duties as a member to the atmost of any nower. For the furtherance of the principles of the Association of United Workers, I most solemnly disavow all alliance with existing American political parties, or with any other American positical parties of the society will be expected. The Central Committee is composed of workingmen, who piedge themselves to take no office unless elected to it by the votes of the poole.

The Funeral of Dolly Davesport. The Funeral of Bolly Davenborr.
The remains of Mr. A. H. Davenbort arrived here from New Orleans on the 15th inst., per steamer Mississippi, and are to be reinterred in Greenwood Cemetery on Thursday at 2 °clock P. M. The funeral will be from Dr. Deems's Church of the Strangers, Mcreer street, near highth street, under the suspices of New York Lodge, No. 330, F. and A. M.

The Weather To-Day.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The Signal Office predicts for Tuesday in New England, the Middle, and Middle Atlantic States, rising barometer, cool westerly winds and partly cloudy or clear weather, except possibly cloudy weather in northern New England.

A GREAT FIRE ON THE WEST SIDE

The Destruction of the Combination Rubber Company's Works in West Twenty-fifth Street-A Quarter of a Million Lost.

NEW YORK, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1874.

At half-past 10 o'clock last night the fire patrolman discovered fire at 525, 527, and 531 West Twenty-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues. The Combination Rubber Manufacturing Company tenanted the first and secwindow shades, the third, fourth, and fifth floors of all these buildings, which extended through the entire block between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets.

The strong northeast wind soon lashed the

Chy of New York.

seems to have awakened to the sufferings of the poor in tails winter of widespread stagnation; and as a cheering result we find the inhabitants of every ward either already giving food to the hungry or preparing to open houses for the feeding of the famishing poor. To the number of free eating houses that have already been mentioned by The SUN may be added the Children's Educational fellef Association, 473 Grand street; the up-town soup house of Manhattanville, in the University of the supplier of the sup

and were directed to expend the money collected in such a way as they may think will most benefit the suffering poor.

The so is has received for the Schaffer family, from "Soozu," Security from Wm. W. Nall. h. m. \$2; from Louis Berkowitz, \$4.50; from "Max Sch." So cents, from Wm. W. Nall. h. m. \$2; from Louis Berkowitz, \$4.50; from "Max Sch." So cents.

The soun house at Franklin and Centre streets, one of these to be set in motion through the charity of James Gordon Bennett, was vesterday, under the direction of Capt. Kennedy of the Franklin street solice and the Hom. Morgan Jones, put in readiness, Great boilers were erected, and the piace was thoroughly cleaned by some of the women prisoners from the Iombs, sent there by Warden Quinn to do the work.

LIBERAL ACTION OF THE NINTH WARDERS. The committee of the Ninth Ward who have charge of the grand dramatic entertainment to be given in the Aragemy of Saturday evening, Feb. 21, in aid of the poor of that ward, met in the Abingdon Club rooms, 25 Abingdon place, last evening, and sold by auction the boxes and choice seeds. isst evening, and sold by auction the boxes and choice seeds.

Mr. D. D. Brinekerhoff paid \$100 for first choice of the boxes and afterward gave it to the committee, who again sold it to him for \$2.5. He also gave another \$100. Mr. Jeremi.h Panebora bought a box for \$40 and gave it to the committee, who resold it to him for \$70. William H. Gray paid \$80 for a box and gave it to the committee, who resold it to him for \$70. William H. Gray paid \$80 for a box and gave it to the committee, and they sold it to the Abingdon Gub for \$150. Andrew H. Eletcher of Fletcher, Harrison & Co. paid \$165, and James F. Drammond \$30. F. W. Devoe & Co. gave \$40; Samuel A. Lewis, School Commissioner, \$60; James R. Floyd, \$50; Gustavus Isaaes, \$70; F. J. Dupignac, \$50; ex-Fire Commissioner, \$60; James R. Floyd, \$50; Gustavus Isaaes, \$70; F. J. Dupignac, \$40; James W. Farr, School Commissioner, \$1, and afterward gave the box to the committee; H. H. Wotherspoon, \$60; James B. Dupignac, \$15. The rectof the reserved seats and boxes, are to be sold by auction on Thursday evening at the same place.

Freeding the Brooklyn Poor.

Feeding the Brooklyn Poor. The arrangements for the relief of the suffer-ing poor in Brooklyn have been perfected to a system which leaves no part of the city unprovided for. Capwhich leaves no part of the city unprovided for. Capt. Crafts of the Myrtle ayenue police has organized a temporary reitef association in his precinct, which embraces a large part of the tract known as Jackson's Lots, occupied by poor families. He found 58 suffering families, consisting of 229 persons, without the necessaries of lite. A building was furnished free, and gitts of provisions and fuel have enabled the Captain to satisfy the nunger of the starving by providing cooled food. Provisions and clothes sent to the poince at this at Myrtle and Vanderbilt avenues will be distributed judiciously.

Murder to Beach \*treet.

Shortly before midnight, is ac Henderson, a colored man, was shot and instantly killed by James Purvis (white), of \$2 Beach street. They had been ac-Purvis (white), of & Beach street. They had been acquainted but a short time.

Last week Hendrson, having first insulted Purvis, slapped him in the face. This insult so affected the latter that he brooded over it, and a day or two ago parchased a revolver.

Meeting Purvis last evening in Steekman's liquor siore at Broome and Sullivan streets, it was a sulley and so exaspirated Purvis that a fight became imminent, on which it does not be a substantial of the sulley and as he passed the door he cught Purvis by the throat, pushing him violently against the bar, and spat in his face. Recovering himself, ran after tenderson, and drawing his revolver shot him dead. Purvis was arrested.

BOSTON, Feb. 13.—Thomas and Simeon Sturte-vant and a lady named Mary Buckley were found murdered at their residence in Halifax, in this State, this morning. There is no clue to the murderer.

GLEN'S FALLS. Feb. 16.—The celebrated trotting stallion Joe Brown won the race on the ice at Ticorderoga to day, in three straight heats, making the remarkable time of 2-21, 2:184, and 2:21.

FIXING THINGS IN ALBANY. THE BILL TO REGULATE ASYLUMS FOR THE INSANE.

Exposing the Outrages in Mad Houses-A Crusher on the Queens County Court House Job-A Bill to Widen West Street -A Centeunial Committee Asked For.

ALBANY, Feb. 16 .- There was barely a quorum of Senators present this evening. A resolution was introduced by Mr. Booth calling upon the Mayor and Comptroller to send to the Senate within ten days a statement showing tionments of last year can be reduced, giving the items and the reasons why, and if such reasons existed when the apportionments were made. It is said to be aimed at the \$1,600.000 bilt's Fourth avenue improvement, and the amount voted for a new city prison. The bill to allow the Floating Dry Dock Company of New York to reduce its capital stock to \$350,000,

and shares to \$50, was ordered to a third reading.

The Assembly, in Committee of the Whole, considered Mr. Prince's bill for the better protection of lunatics. It authorizes the Governor to appoint fifteen physicians in each county to examine persons said to be insane. Mr. Alvord was in favor of protecting personal liberty, but did not believe the bill tended in that direc-tion. He thought the courts should have control of all such cases. There should be a legal as well as a medical examination.

THE HORRORS OF MADROUSES.

Mr. Prince defended the bill in its present shape. Since it was introduced he had received numerous letters instancing cases of imposition in cases of this kind where same persons bad been incarcerated in madhouses on certificates fraudulently or carelessly obtained. One gentlesystem, called at one asylum to see them, but was to d that they were so violent that it would

was to d that they were so violent that it would not be safe, but a writ of habeas corpus brought t ese ravine madmen out mild as lambs and perfectly sane. Corrupt physicians could be brined for \$25 or \$50 to sign certificates which would consign sane men to these asylums, and persons interested could profit thereby. Mr. Spencer of New York thought there were too f w safeguards about personal liberty, and favored the passage of this bill. It was impossible to throw too many safeguards around the unfortunate class this bill was intended to protect.

A POLITICAL MACHINE.

In the House Mr. Alvord moved to recommit it, with instructions to amend so as to provide for a hearing in such a ses in court. He said the bill as it now is would create a political machine. The physicians appointed in each county would be all Democrats or all Republicans. Mr. s en er advocated the bill. When a vote was taken it was found that no quorum was present, and the House adjourned. When the bill was up before, it was charged that the keepers of private lunatic asylums, and notably the Bloomingde, had used potent influences to kill it, and had succeeded. It is said that the same influences are to be brought to bear again this winter.

squelching A Job.

Mr. Prince introduced a bill which is intended to settle the difficulty about the Queens County Court House. The Commissioners now ask for \$100,000 more than was originally appropriated, and public meetings have been held there protesting against the job. Mr. Prince's bill takes the construction of the Court House out of the bands of the Commissioners on April 10, and gives the Supervisors power to change the plans and complete it at a total cost of not more than \$150,000.

Mr. Oakley introduced a bill to increase the fees of Justices of the Peace and constables about 25 per cent.

Mr. Bennett of Brooklyn introduced a bill to make all street railroad conductors special policeinen while on duty.

A letter from the Cheap Transportation Association of New York was read in the Assembly, a king for action to be deferred on all bills affecting the whaves and piers of that city until they can be heard from. At the request of Wm.

A FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED.

Three Men Killed and Many Wounded-Sine ALLENTOWN, Pa., Feb. 16.—About two o'clock this morning a freight train heavily laden and running at a high rate of speed ran into a landslide which had completely blocked the track near the State Dam station. The locomo-tive jumped the track and now hangs over the bank of the river. Eighteen cars were thrown from the track and piled upon each other, smashing the freight of all descriptions, which was strewn along the road and hurled into the river. track near the Slate Dam station. The locomo-

Not one of the train hands, as far as could be ascertained, escaped without some injury. The body of the engineer, Daniel Shannon, was found under the engine and was considerably burned. Otto Shannon, a fireman, and Frank Ryan, a brakeman, were badly scalded and ourned. Three other men are reported to be killed. To add to the horror the stove in the caboose set first othe inflammable matter among the freight and nine cars were burned.

A Mrs. Keeler, while intoxicated attempted to cross the railroad track at South irration, with her child in her arms. She was struck by a train but not seriously injured. The child was knocked from her arms upon the track, run over and instantly killed. The trial of John P. Daly, the Communist, for an stroctous assault on Major Panghorn, was concuted visited by afternoon in the Court of Sessions, Jersey City, A. S. Close, counsel for Daly, endeavored to prove that the prisoner was insue. The jury brough in a verdict of guilty and a "ecommendation to nervy

WASHINGTON NOTES.

The House Committee on Military Affairs expect to cut down the army establishment so as to save about \$1,00 to unusuly. Among other reforms in the may it is pros d to about he lie grade of commodors, which will bet a considerable saving. At present there are early-live commodors on the lat. The Lagistative, Executive and Judicial Ap-riation bill reported to the House vesterday cuts down tensionates to the extent of three or four midlions. A uniter of a crising a have been anothed. Gen. Enton. Commissary-General, was retired yesterd by be order of the President. Gen. Stiras has been as good to any as Coom sarry General, and ten Amos Beckwith assigned to duly in the office in Wash

Was somewhat easier yesterdey.

The President has ordered that the Court of Inquiry in the case of ten. Howard be composed of G. ns. Sherman, McDowell, Pope, Meigrs, and Coit, Maj. A. B. Gardner, Judge Advocate. The court will meet in Washington on the 3d of March next.

the folding room as one of their measures of retrenchment.

The President has nominated Commodore Fabius Stanley to be Rear Admiral in the navy; Nathaniel Lyons to be Cousul at Sierra Leone; James M. True of Illinois to be Consul at Kingston, Canada; Philip Clayton of Georgia to be Consul at Valparsino; and William A. Simmons to be Collector of Customs for the districts of Boston and Charlestown.

The special committee to Investigate the affairs of the District of Columbia have not yet provided a plan of examination, but will make the reply of Gov. Shepherd to the wholes the transparence to him the basis of the blan of investigation. The reply will confident the basis of the standard of the standard of the series of the magnitude of the work it does not seem probable that it will be completed this week.

ROBESON'S ANSWER.

Expending Nearly all of the Year's Appro-Printions in the First Six Months-The

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- A short time ago the House of Representatives passed a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Navy to inform them how much of the appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874, was expended prior to January last, and how much of the four millions appropriated by the present Congress has been expended, and for what purposes. The Secretary in reply says that all the appropriation for construction and rep ir for the fiscal year 1873-4, amounting to \$3,500.000. appropriation for construction and rep: ir for the fiscal year 1873-4, amounting to \$3,500,000, was expended previous to Jan. 1, with \$68,000 expended for repairs of iron-clads and other vessels, out of the appropriation of \$4,000,000 of Dec. 18, 1873; that acout \$725,000 in addition has since been expended out of said appropriation on ironclads and other vessels, and that the completion of these repairs will exhaust by the 1st of July next all of the \$2,000,000 of that appropriation allowed the Bureau of Construction and Repair. The whole number of men-fifteen hundred-added temporarily to the navy were enlisted before January, 1874, and on the 1st of November last the number of men in service was about \$,000.

The appropriation for the Navy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874, exclusive of \$182,940 appropriated in the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, amounted to \$24,048,150.95. From this appropriation was drawn, prior to Jan. 1, last, \$18,384,394.37, of which amount there was unexpended, prior to that date, \$1,922,725.67, making the amount of this appropriation actually lessened \$16,461,688.70, leaving to the credit of the navil establishment \$7,59,481.95. To thus was added \$4,000,000 by the appropriation of December last, making the available balance on Jan. 1, \$11,586,481.95.

Of this sum of \$4,000,000 nothing h d actually been taken at the date of the resolution except by the Bureau of Construction and Repair, which expended from the tappropriation \$280,000 in the repair of the forcidads A jax, Canonic s, Wyandotte, Dictator, Roanoke, and Terror. The \$4,700,000 was placed to the credit of the several bureaus, and went to reimburse them for the extraordinary expend-tures which they had been required to make and were not contemplated in the regular appropriation. The department does not expect to need any further appropriations for the current year.

THE OLD WORLD'S NEWS.

Heavy Gales on the European Coast-The Steamship Wroming Disabled. London, Feb. 16.—The southeastern por-tion of Europe has been visited by very heavy

wires were prostrated, and there were numerous disasters to shipping on the Black Sea. The Williams & Guion steamship Wyoming, which left Liverpool on the lith inst. for New York, returned to the former port to-day, and went into dock. She encountered a terrific gale on Friday, and lost her funnel and life boats. The Abraham Lincoln was wrecked while on a voyage from Cardiff to Messina. Five of the crew were drowned. The brig Sparking Water, from Philadelphia for Trieste, has arrived at Gibraltar leaky, and is discharging her cargo. The bark Helios, from London for Philadelphia, has put into Falmouth leaky. wires were prostrated, and there were numerous

The Cost of Germany's Conquests in France. BERLIN, Feb. 16 .- In the Reichstag today Gen. von Moltke, in the course of a speech we acquired in.six months we shall have to protect by force of arms for half a century to come. France, notwithstanding a majority of her people are convinced of the necessity of peace, is imitating our army organization." He concluded: "We have become powerful, but remain peaceful. We require an army for defence, not conquest." The bill was referred to a committee.

LONDON, Feb. 16 .- The Pall Mall Gazette publishes a report that the British forces took possession of Coomassie, the capital of Ashan-tee, on the 29th of January, and would com-mence their march back to the coast on the 2d of February.

LONDON, Feb. 16.-The Standard has a despatch from Rome stating that the Pope will hold another consistory in June next, when eight more Cardinals will be created, including Archbishop Manning.

London, Feb. 17-5:30 A. M.—The Ministry yesterday resolved to resign immediately.

Mr. Gladstone goes to Windsor to-day.

The Indian Dis urbances.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 16.—Gen. Ord to-day received word from Fort Laramie by a messenger. Dr. Saville, the agent, writes that the Northern Indians have all gone to Tongue river, and that they alone have have all gone to Tongue river, and that they alone have committed the recent depredations. That the Ogallat, las have tauthfully guarded the agency since Frank Alepieton was killed, and that they will prevent the Northern Indians from coming to the agency or passing through this country. He also says that the Indian who shot Appleton was killed by the Brules, who also recaptured the mines stolen by the Manacconjans from Charles Gearen, the agent, Boward writes through it. Saville that Spotted I all has a guard over his agency.

The party who killed Lieut, Robinson and corporal consisted of Minneconjons, Unepapes, and Sansarcs.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 16. — Phillip D. Corie, Cashier of the Atlanta Branch of Freedman's Savings Bana and Trust Company, was acrested here yesterals for embezzlement. His defalcation is estimated at \$10.000.

HOURS OF LEISURE. The Boulevard Club will celebrate on the 23d Curlers' second annual ball at Leric Hall, 725 Sixth avenue, Thursday evening, Feb. 19. La Société Alsactennes-Lorraine's ball for the benefit of hundgrants from Alsace and Lorraine, is the event in Irvi's Hall this evening. The society has added more than 5,000 immigrants.

Mrs. Comant, a teacher in the Normal School, of which she is herself a graduate, will deliver a lecture on the "Kindergarien," before the Women's Social Education Society, to-day at 3 P. M., in Plympton Hall. FLASHES FROM THE OCEAN CABLES

Ireland sends fifty-one Home Rulers to the new Parisment.

The report of the death of the Carlist General, porregaray, provesto be talse.

The London Telegraph says the Marquis of Salisbury will become Secretary of State for India. The Russian Envoy at Vienna and the Austrian Envoy at St. Petersburg have been raised to the rank of Ambas-adors.

Gen. Alexander Von Luders of the Russian arms, who held a command in the Crimean war, died on Sunday, aged St years. Sunday, aged Styears.

Señor Castelar, in the event of a plebiscite, will support Marshal Serrano's candidature for the Presidency of the republic.

Severo Mora, Chief Surgeon of the army and President of the Republican Club in Havana, was sent to Spalin in Sunnay's steamer by order of the Captain-General.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

Sydney Packard, a wealthy citizen of North ston, Mass., committed suicide on Sanday. Judge Kidder, a well known radroad financier, and at his residence in West Liberty, Onio, yesterday. oursh yesteriay.

The wife of James M. Mason, ex-United States sendor, and Confedera e Monsor abroad during the rob linen, aled near Alexandria on Saturday.

A compolimentary banquet was given Wilkie Polins at the St. James Hote. Hoston, has micht, which was actended by many prominent literary men. Judge William Alexander, formerly Judge of he Circuit Court and a member of the Maryland Legis-ature, died at his residence in Baltimore county on aturday, aged 62 years.

Saturday, aged 62 years.

There are 36 Odd Fellow lodges in Connecticut, with a membership of 4.5 ii. The total recepts of the year were \$70.05.58, and the amount pad rom the relief fund ouring the same time was \$13,85.56.

Miss Amanda Potter, aged 35 years, while crossing the track of the Northern Central Railway at the intersection of North and Madison streets, Baltimore, yesterday, was run over by a freight train and it sanity killed.

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Joseph D. Pillow, 76 years of age, an officer in the Custom House in Portsmouth, N. H., was run over by a freight train on the rastern Kairoad, and died before traching his house. He attempted to start from the track, but his boot caught in the rail and held him. In the nisi prius, before Judge Sharswood in Philaselphia, the jury in the case of Robert For against the Pennsylvania Mutual Life Insurance Company, which was a suit upon a policy of insurance effected by Mr. For apon the life of John Clark Lee, yes erday morning rendered a verdict for the plaintiff for 120,691.5, the full amount claimed, with interest.

LIFE IN THE METROPOLIS.

DASHES HERE AND THERE BY THE SUN'S REPORTERS.

Charles Aster Bristed's Will-Another Dis-tribution of the Vast Weath that was Accumulated by John Jacob Astor.

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The will of Charles Astor Bristed was yesterday admitted to probate. He died on Jan. 14, in his residence, K street, Washington city. He was a grands on of John Jacob Astor, and one of the trustees of the At or Library; was author of "Five Years in an Eog; and University," and lived much in Europe. His first wife was a Miss Brevoort. His su viving family are a widow and two sons; one over twenty-one years of age in Biden-Baten, empire of Prussis; and one a young cuid; also an adopted daughter. He made his will the 21 of November last, and appointed his wife, Henry D. Se gwies, and Francis H. Weeks, executrix and executors. He is said to nave left a tortune of hilf a minion. In case his son John Jacob Astor Bristed should at the time of the testator's death have recovered his health and be in the full possession of all his faculties, he bequestab to him has books, pictures, and engravings, his chest of plate, and sli vilver pla e or platel ware, marked L. E., also all his glass and enins etagere or the cover, curtains for doors or windows, and all his furniture covered with or worked in tapestry, wherever the son-might be at his decease; b t in the event of nie sou Joun J cob Astor Bristed not being recovered, then the articles above specified not being recovered, then the articles above specified go to his son Charles Henry M-ine Briste 1.

He bequeathed the income of \$11,000 to his adopted daughter Ceene, free from the interference or control of any nusband she may marry; at her death, the \$41,000 to her issue unco-oditionally. If she has no Issue, the \$11,000 to become a pirt of his rest u vry estate.

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He bequeathed be payed to his widow.

The Magnates of Methodism Making Peace with Mrs. Elizabet: Lanadon.

At a meeting vesterday afternoon in the Methodist Book Concern, Broadway and Eleventh street, in the pressure of Judge Beers for Chaunces Shaffer, representing Mrs. E izabeth Langdon, the Rev.
Mr. McAllister, Chairman of the Beulah Committee appointed by the Methodist Conference; Mr. Ladlow A.
Battershall, the President of the Sea Cliff Camp Ground Battershall, the President of the Sea Cliff Camp Ground Association; Dr. Du Puy, the Vice-President; Mr. Cornweil, the Secr. tary; Measrs, Kelsey, Trusow, and almost the entire body of this ces, the difficulty between the Sea Cliff Association and Mrs. Langdon, in re-ercace to the exchange of Heulah and Sea Cliff project, was settled; the Sea Cliff Association surrendering to Mrs. Langdon their claim of \$3,500 as compensation for damages. The sames of the initiality and of the Sea Cliff trustees having on Friday last been subser bed to the varied ocuments of release crawn up ty Chaucey Shafler, the pi-intiff autorney, and by Mr. Cornwell, the Secretary of the Sea Cliff Association, whin the find a ginature, that of the President, Lud ow A. B. tershall, we softhat yet crady afternoon it was pr. posed to slag the dox logy.

The preliminaries of settlement have been conflucted by the officers of the Sea Cliff Association, and by the Rev. Mr. Mc disher, Mr. H. Feriggs, a pair on on the Met-oul t denomination, and Juage Kelly of the Fifth Sational and.

On the night of the 8th instant, Michael Gilles-pie of 116 Mott a reet, and John Gillen of 104 Bayard street, met in iront of 62 Mulberry street. Both were street, met in iront of 62 Mulberry street. Both were under the influence of liquor. They clinched, and is the straggle Gillen stanbed Gillespie in the left breast with a jenshife. Officer sullivan arrested Gillen, and with Gille id the was taken to the Franklin street police station. Dr. McKown found Gill side's wound of non an aire this he was taken to the rark Hapital. Gillen wis committed to the Tombs to await the result of Gillen wis committed to the Tombs to await the result of Gillen wis committed to the Tombs to await the result of Gillen wis committed to the Tombs to await the result of Gillen wis committed to the Tombs to await the result of Gillen wis committed to the Tombs to await the result of Gillen wis committed to be out of danger. Yesterd y ne wind to I are the hospital, but Dr. Fluhrer, who made a next a meanion, refused to left him go, having discovered that the lungs had been penetrated. The Doctor notified Capt. Kennedy of the dangerous condition of Gillespie, an armien was fasken to the Park Hospital, where Gilling the Tombs of Gillespie and Callespie and Callespie and Callespie did addenly.

Austin Oliver, a frugal Italian, whose side-walk stand was cleared from Chatham square on Trure-day by the Bureau of Obstructions, and who cut his throat, died in the Park Hospital yesterday. Through throat, died in the Fark Hospital yesterday. Through his industry he accumulated a small forcume, which os invested in a house and lot near Hotoken. He was descendent at the loss of his stand, and some of his country, i.e., who were envious of his reputed wealth, banter d him about his foliah investment, and told him that there was a heavy mortrage on his property, and that he had been deceived. This affected his mins, and the began to show symptoms of masnity. His wife kept a close watch on his movements. While she was temperarily in an adjoining room he eas ped to the roof of the six-suory tenement at 11 Mott street, where he lived, and cut mis throat with a razor. His wife found him there. His throat was cut from ear to ear.

The Chinese New Year's was quietly and be-omingly celebrated in the Sixth Ward yesterday. It has the intention to have a parade and a display of

Nellie Hunter, a respectable young woman of 25 Spring street, appeared before Justice Morgan yesterday with a rate in her arms. She said that on the 12th of last month Mrs. Mary Bailey, who lives in the same house, asked her to take charge of her infant for a snort time while she went out on business. Miss Hunter complied, and has been waiting ever since.

\*\*BROOKLYN.\*\*

William Broistedt, a Brooklyn millionaire, is The Brooklyn lager beer dealers have obtained

Yesterday Thomas T. Spencer sued for divorce from his wife taroline S. Spencer, in the Brooklyn City Court, before Jadge to ynolds. Two previous trails in the same court before Jadges McCue and Nellson resulted in disagreement of the juries. CURIOSITIES OF CRIME.

Leonard Wornboldt, keeper of a been saloon in Polladelphia, fataily shot his wife on Sunday night without the least provocation.

In October last, Wm. Miller and Tim. Brady (the latera notorious bond robber, arrested by excluding sing Sing, both having been sentenced to ten years, of which the former had served hree, and the latter but a ten months. Yesterday Patroman Tims arrested Miller, and he was ordered back to serve his time out. Yesterday in the Westchester Court of Sessions Judge Gifford sentenced Henry Wisson, slass Vright, to fourteen years, and August Cromwell to histon years in Sing Sing for burglary. They broke mit of Mr. J. P. R. Wells's residence in Yonkers last veck, and were arrested by Officer Henry Quinn, and 400 worth of stelen property was found in their possession. The prisoners pleaded guilty. Last evening Frank Henocque, a lawyer, aged 45, o 181 West Tenth street, and Alfred Evans, here is edged to the support of Mark eper at 125 West Tenth street, fought in front of Mark eper at 125 West Tenth street, fought in front of Mark in support of the four support of Mark entries. Evans, saided to some companions, assaulted Henocque with hottless cutting him severely on the least support with four day for the four hours and attended the supports not necessarily fatas. Evans was locked up in the chartes street police station. His companions excepted.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The Egypt arrived last night,
William C. Harrison, whose residence was 126
Bleecker street, escaped from Sing Sing and cody.
Katte Crawford, aged thirteen row this, who
was sealed dipy not water fabling in nor, and of washington street on thursday, ned act ex uning.
The cock fighters whom Mr. Berg arrested in
the house at the foot of hase line by the street on Sundy moraling were head to but in \$400 cas yeater has.
Mr. John Reid, an influential Tammany politic
in in the liveling ward, our may yet access to
he wind tourt, was yesterday appel to harders of the
mariae Court.

Alones C. King, indicated for the above to The Ezypt arrived last night. mes C. King, indicted for the killing of

leg was severely lacerated. She was aftended by Dr. vade and sent to Believue Hospital.

In the case in which Wm. E. Bradley was charged with having acted in concert with his father. Edson brailey, to defrand their creditors, in anticipation of balaraptey proceedings against the firm of which young itradity and his father were members. Commissioner Betts yesterday dishussed the combaint.

A petition signed by many of the property owners of the Eighth Ward is to be presented to the Board of Eucarion to-day, asking that the disorder houses near the public school of that ward may be closed or that the school may be removed. A (Higgies Frotective Association has been formed, and District Attorney Phelip base promised to aid in the movement.

Assistant Algermen Coddington, Kreps, and Cumsky, who were appointed to catanine distring would be perfectly safe, and tall its twelve or fourteen entrances would render the committee were discharged and Assistant Alderman Recean, Murphy, and Wiss. I were directed to laspect the building.